

IN THE CLAIMS:

6. (Currently amended) A symmetrical hose coupling comprising a pair of like coupling members, each of the coupling members having a cylindrical hose attachment connector and a cam ring integrally formed with the cylindrical hose attachment connector, the cam ring having a plurality of integral cams ~~that project on the periphery of the cam ring~~ arranged on the periphery of the cam ring and projecting from the cam ring in a radial direction, said cams being hook-shaped in a tangential direction of the cam ring and each having a radial surface area for transmitting an axial force, and the cams of the coupling members engaging into each other ~~in a bayonet-type fashion~~ during coupling such that the radial surface areas engage behind each other.
7. (Currently amended) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 6, wherein the radial surface areas of the cams are inclined in relation to the tangential direction ~~and in relation to a radial plane.~~
8. (Previously presented) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 6, wherein the cam ring has an annular front face radially inwardly of the cams and an annular undercut groove is recessed in the annular front face for receiving a shaped sealing ring having a sealing lip which protrudes axially beyond the front face of the cam ring..
9. (Currently amended) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 6, wherein the cams are arranged at distances from each other in a peripheral direction ~~which are~~ , whereby the distance in the peripheral direction between two neighboring cams is only slightly greater than the width of the cams ~~are wide~~ in the peripheral direction.
10. (Previously presented) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 6, wherein blocking means are provided for locking the pair of coupling members with each other in a coupled condition.